Extraction of petroleum in K.G. basin

201. SHRI MOHD. ALI KHAN: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) what was extracted from Krishna Godavari (KG) basin in Andhra Pradesh during the last three years;

(b) the target fixed and achieved for the last three years;

(c) whether there is slow progress of extraction from the KG basin in Andhra Pradesh; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DINSHA PATEL): (a) to (d) Crude Oil and Natural Gas production in KG Basin in the state of Andhra Pradesh during last 3 years is as under:

Year	Oil (MMT)		Gas (MMSCM)	
	Plan	Actual	Plan	Actual
2005-06	0.198	0.216	1865	1663
2006-07	0.218	0.214	1700	1502
2007-08	0.188	0.251	1546	1548

MMT - Million Metric Tonne

MMSCM - Million Metric Standard Cubic Metre. This entire production of oil and gas is being made by ONGC.

ONGC has taken the following initiatives to increase oil and gas production from KG Basin in Andhra Pradesh:

1. Improved Oil Recovery (IOR) scheme in Lingala field.

2. Fast tract development of Gopavaram field.

Calculation of profit and under recovery

202. SHRI R. C. SINGH: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that as per the calculations when per barrel crude oil price at US dollar 40, including refining expenditure, per litre price of petrol comes to only Rs.14 whereas Government is selling the same for around Rs.45.50 in the country thereby getting a profit of about Rs.30 per litre;

(b) if so, the reasons behind this exorbitant burden on the common man; and

(c) what are the reasons that his Ministry is citing losses to OMCs rather than indicating them as under recoveries and not reducing the price of petroleum products in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DINSHA PATEL): (a) and (b) Based on the international prices, the average Refinery Gate Price (RGP) for Petrol for the 1st fortnight of February 2009 works out to Rs.15.79 per litre. Over and